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## Assemblymember Warren T. Furutani Named Legislator of the Year by the Faculty Association of California Community Colleges

**SACRAMENTO** - The Faculty Association of California Community Colleges (FACCC) announced today that Assemblymember Warren T. Furutani has been chosen as FACCC's Legislator of the Year for 2009.

In a letter to the Assemblymember, William Hewitt, President of FACC, wrote "FACCC has unanimously selected you as the recipient of our Legislator of the Year Award. Your advocacy on behalf of community colleges, particularly your leadership in securing an automatic property tax backfill and your organization of a community college caucus, has merited you recognition from faculty leaders across California."

"I'm deeply honored that FACCC has awarded me as Legislator of the Year" said Assemblymember Furutani. "Being a partner toward advancing the mission of California's Community Colleges is one of my top priorities during my tenure as an Assemblymember."

Assemblymember Furutani was elected to the California State Assembly in a special election in February 2008 and re-elected in the same year to his first full two-year term. He serves the 55<sup>th</sup> Assembly District, which includes the cities of Carson, Harbor City and the Harbor Gateway, Lakewood, parts of Long Beach, and Wilmington.

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